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Emmanuel Freudenthal  
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Re: FOI Case No. 48680

Dear Mr. Freudenthal:

This acknowledges your November 27, 2018 Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request addressed to the National Institutes of Health (NIH) FOIA Office. Your request was forwarded to the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID) FOIA Office for direct response to you. You requested a copy of "The memorandum of understanding signed between the World Health Organisation and NIAD (sic) on April 13, 2018, to plan and implement the research response to the current outbreak in the DRC."

We are searching the files NIAID Office of Global Research for records responsive to your request. If any documents responsive to your request are located, they will be reviewed for releasability, and all releasable information will be sent to you. We will do everything possible to comply with your request in a timely manner. Please feel free to contact me at [foia@niaid.nih.gov](mailto:foia@niaid.nih.gov) or on 301-451-5109 for additional information or to inquire about the status of your request.

Provisions of the FOIA allow us to recover part of the cost of complying with your request. We shall charge you for records in accordance with the Department of Health and Human Services FOIA Regulations as they apply to news media requesters; i.e., you will be charged for duplication at 10-cents per page although the first 100 pages are free; there is no charge for search or review time. If there are any fees associated with processing this request, you will be sent an invoice with our final response.

At any time during the processing of your request, you may seek assistance from the NIAID FOIA Public Liaison:

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "R. Schofield", with a stylized, flowing script.

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